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Thirty-One Names on List Period 1865-81

Of the 294 men who were students at the college between the close of the Civil War and 1881, the present addresses of only 31 are known to the alumni office.

Colonel John S. Charles, '71, recently accused the alumni secretary of working on the assumption that the "world began in 1888," with the reorganization of the college. Obviously, a plan for alumni organization should begin with the more recent years of the college and work backward toward the past. In recent months our former students of the modern period, dating from 1888, have been catalogued completely; it is now proposed to do for the period between the '60s and '81 what has been done so completely for the recent years. Dr. Stanard's interesting account of college life during the '70s is an impelling inspiration to this task, and it is hoped that our mailing list will

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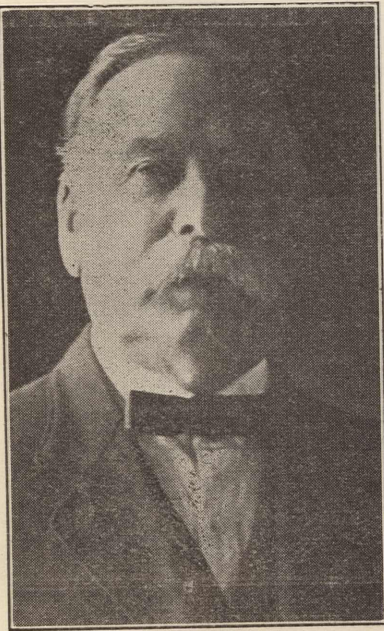
Jesse S. Jones

Captain Jesse S. Jones, of Hampton, Virginia, is a man who has served his State nobly in war and in peace. His service as captain of the famous Old Dominion Dragoons and as treasurer of Elizabeth City county for twenty-five years, are sources of pride to his alma mater, and to all who know and honor him. Of Captain Jones, as of Washington, it may be well said that "his valor is excelled only by his modesty." In a recent letter, he writes with characteristic brevity and self effacement:

"Was graduated at William and Mary in 1856; taught that fall at Westover for the Selden family; in 1857 was assistant instructor of ancient languages in Hampton Military Academy, under Colonel John B. Cary. In 1858, '59, '60 and '61, until the war began, associated with Col-

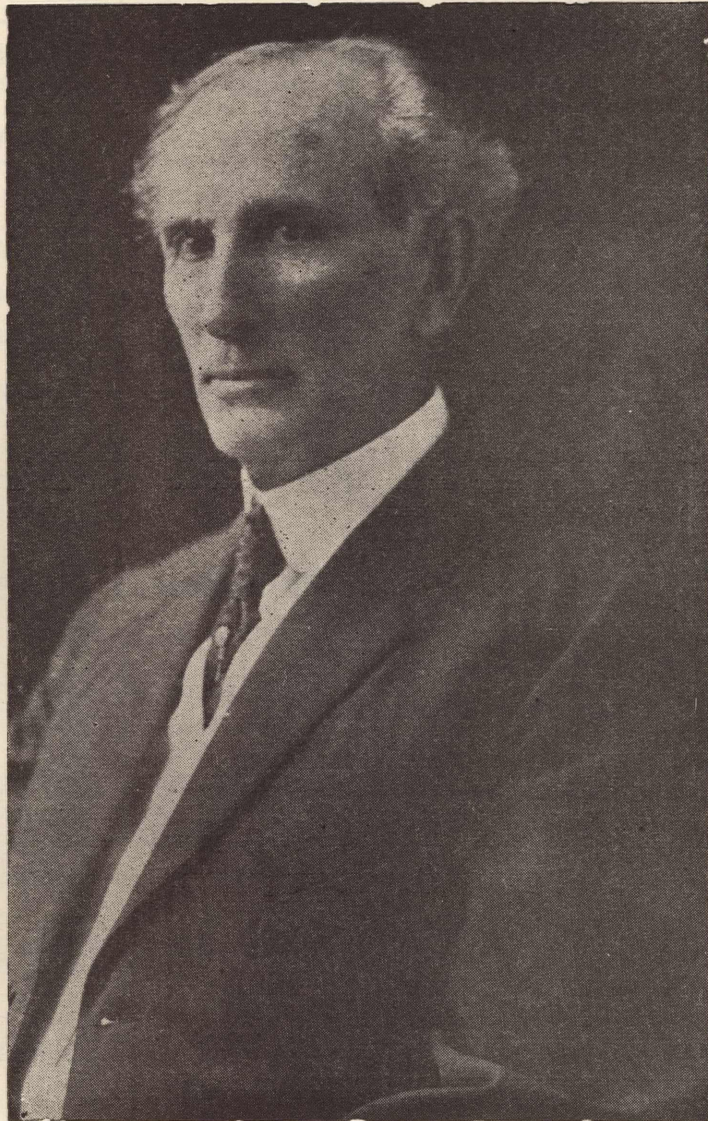
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ANOTHER '56 GRADUATE



CAPT. JESSE S. JONES
Who Shares Alumni Honors
With Capt. Graves

A GRADUATE OF 1856



CAPT. WILLIAM HENRY GRAVES
Oldest Living Alumnus In Point
of Years of Graduation

William Henry Graves

William Henry Graves, the oldest living alumnus in point of years of graduation, was born in Knoxville, Tenn., in 1833., of Virginia parents, then resident in that city. Orphaned at the age of five years, he went to live at the home of his maternal grandfather, a large property holder and slave owner in Wythe County. He was prepared for college at the famous old Wytheville Academy, and entered the College of William and Mary in 1852, graduating A. B. in 1856, and B. L. in 1856. While a student here, Mr. Graves belonged to the original chapter of the Theta Delta Chi Fraternity, and is perhaps the oldest living member of the Fraternity at large.

A letter from Mr. Graves to Professor Hodges, Secretary of the Alumni Association, contains, among other interesting points of a purely personal nature, the following facts which go to prove that he, like the great majority of William and Mary men, has done his part in war and peace:

"I was in the Confederate war for about three years and a half, as chief of ordnance appointed by General

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Few Marriages Among Alumni-Alumnae

Since the introduction of co-education at the College of William and Mary in the fall of 1918, the total number of students enrolled up to the present date has been 1766. Of this number 1,005 were men and 761 women.

While statistics available on the number of marriages between former men and women students of the college may not be complete, so far as is known to the alumni secretary, only ten marriages between former students have been consummated. Fig-

Notice To Alumni

All alumni are requested to send to the Alumni Secretary any notes of personal interest concerning alumni, such as marriages, changes of address, honors of any sort, and deaths. A letter or a postal card will be sufficient. Send to W. T. Hodges, Alumni Secretary, Williamsburg, Va.

Stanard Tells of The Days of '75-'76

At the request of the Alumni Secretary, William G. Stanard, at present corresponding secretary and librarian of the Virginia Historical Society, has written an interesting account of his college days at William and Mary. Mr. Stanard's reminiscences are published below:

"Your opinion of my knowledge of William and Mary between 1866 and 1878 is very flattering, and you, no doubt, thought you were liberal when you wrote: 'Take all the space you need—seven or eight hundred words—make it snappy.' Man! When certain of the old guard meet (too rarely), 7,000 words is a poor minimum. But you never were at old William and Mary, so your limit is understandable and will be obeyed. I have

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Jonathan Slater Prout (Usually "J. S.")

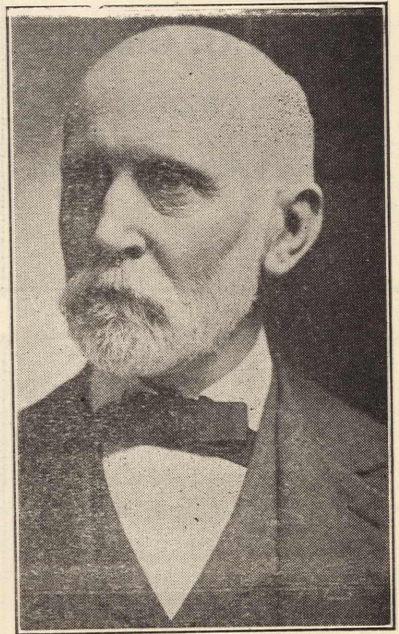
Dr. Prout's life, in its outlines, can best be told in his own words quoted from his letter of February 9 to the Editor of the Flat Hat:

"Your enthusiasm over the 'discovery' that I am the 'oldest living student' of William and Mary takes me by surprise. . . . I think that to Messrs. Jones and Graves, who worked and studied for their degrees in 1856, should go all the 'honor' of seniority. I merely come in by virtue of length of days, of living so long without dying.

"I was born in Washington, D. C., in December, 1833. I ignore birthdays. In 1850-52 I was a dull, slow boy, and found the course at William and Mary too hard for me, and having no choice of my own, my elders, among them Professor B. S. Ewell (my mother's first cousin), decided for me that I should study medicine, showing knowledge of neither it nor

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FEW MARRIAGES AMONG ALUMNI-ALUMNAE

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ured on a percentage basis, this shows that only 1.1 per cent of all the students attending the college since 1918, have found their life partners among their college mates. When this fact is considered without reference to possible circumstances, such as "getting a start in life," and other similar exigencies, this percentage appears rather small. However, when the very short length of time is taken into consideration, the proportion is, after all, rather large.

Following is the complete known list, given as far as possible in the order in which they were married, with the present home address of each:

R. Watson Copeland, '20; Maud V. Cheatham, '20, Hampton, Va.

Julian Strong Lake, '21; Miles Cary Stebbins, '21, West Virginia.

Walter S. Chisholm, '21; Lucille W. Brown, '21, University, Va.

Robin H. Owen, '21; Mabel Murphy, '21, Crewe, Va.

Ernest C. W. Dietz, '23; Edna W. Reid, '22, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Francis C. Harrison, '22; Ruth Pilcher, '22, Washington, D. C.

Alfred Z. Williams, '23; Kathleen Stone, '23, Gunntown, Fla.

William T. Christian, '22; Margaret Tuthill, '23, Richmond, Va.

W. Carlyle Johnston, '21; Virginia Weymouth, '22, Hampton, Va.

H. Morris Stryker, '16; Fannie Lou Gill, '20, Williamsburg, Va.

In addition to the above "completed romances," the engagement of Miss Mary Wadsworth, '22, to John Coriden Lyons, '20, has been announced to take place early in June.

JONATHAN SLATER PROUT

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me, which I did, graduating in 1856 at the Medical Department of what is now the George Washington University, of Washington, D. C.

"My college days were uneventful. I cannot recall the number of students—were there fifty? Certainly nothing to compare with the 2250 now on the list. As a general thing we were quiet and orderly. We went to the Old Raleigh Tavern for ten-pins, some of us taking whiskey. George W. Stone was my most intimate friend, but my memory of him now is a blank. Edward Anaximander Pollard I recall as, perhaps, the oldest and ablest. After more than seventy years, very little remains with me, only a few trifles have stuck.

"Bishop Johns was President and Chaplain, and tried to instruct us in Paley's Natural Theology, a book I do not find mentioned in the Bulletin; not even in the courses on 'Story Telling.' He had in chapel some trouble with students who did not wish to stand or kneel during prayers, and exhibited a good deal of Episco-

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broken loose, however, and written about 3,100 words, which some old-timers might consider snappy and most later ones trash, so, as my notice has been very short, I will beg you to cut it down to 800 by omitting whatever you like—or rather don't like.

"In all colleges, no matter how small, boys form little sets and do not know intimately those in other crowds, and, more particularly, those in other boarding houses. Everybody, however, has a speaking acquaintance, and while we youngsters addressed the great and admired seniors as Mr. Jones, Mr. Stone, Mr. Munford, Mr. Garnett, etc., behind their backs they were Billy Jones, Dick Stone, Ben Munford and Jinks Garnett; so the use of these names does not, necessarily, imply intimate acquaintance.

"I have no certain knowledge of the after lives of many of the dear fellows I was at college with in 1875-6; but they, if living, have the same ignorance of me. I only know that among the happiest days of my life are our too infrequent meetings. There is not one of them who has not a warm place in my heart.

"I entered college on one of what were known as the Southern Orphan Association Scholarships. This organization, which was supported by a lottery, existed some years and paid almost all the expenses of about a dozen boys, whose fathers had been killed in battle or died in service in the Confederate army. I mention this particularly, because there is such a gulf between 1878 and the reorganization of the college that even President Tyler did not know of these scholarships.

"Of course, we realize now that lotteries were very demoralizing and should have been done away with; but when this was done in 1875-6 (and the scholarships brought to an end), through the efforts of the late Thomas Branch and others, we heartily damned these pious gentlemen and applauded what we heard of the caustic remarks of Henry A. Wise, president of the association, on the other side.

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"Another new student on the stage was Scott. His grandfather, Colonel Powhatan Jones, of Buckingham (queer trick of memory, recalling that name), had told him that if he only signed his name on the William and Mary matriculation book, scratched his head and came away, it would be an honor to any family. Of course, Colonel Jones had been a William and Mary man and his words were typical of the old feeling for the college.

"We were really a mischievous, but not vicious, set of youngsters, and Scott was only a little more daring than most. About the middle of the session, during a Sunday night service, he threw a dead owl up the aisle of the Methodist church. The outraged congregation determined that due legal punishment should be inflicted. That night some of us who were Scott's friends, went to see 'Old Buck' (President Ewell), as to what had best be done. I do not know whether it is usual for college students to turn to the president for first aid in a scrape; but we did to Colonel Ewell. Nobody expects modesty from an old-timer talking about his college days, so I will say that it seems to me that this relationship spoke pretty well for both sides.

"He advised us to get Scott out of town that night to avoid an indictment, and put him on the steamer, Patrick Henry, at Yorktown next evening. Six of us, who had never seen any water bigger than a mill pond or the James at Richmond, took a large flat-bottomed boat down York river that night, and during a rain storm, were swamped; but fortunately near shore, slept on the river bank, still in the rain, lying on rails for beds, continued our trip next day and found, when we went ashore at Yorktown, that the storm had been so severe that not even the fishermen had ventured out. Surely a lot of guardian angels must have been busy. One more night camping on the river bank and a long hard pull to the Capitol Landing brought them home. They had been for hours in imminent danger of drowning, were wet, hungry and tired, yet from the bottom of their hearts felt it 'was the end of a perfect day.' Such are boys. No wonder they think cautious old folks are dull.

"If, as I sincerely hope, our old friend Scott is still in the land of the living, I trust he will pardon the story of a student's frolic. We were, most of us, tarred with the same brush.

"The trip on the stage has lead me far astray. One of the first things we met, after matriculating, was the honor system. The older men saw to this. Honor had not, then, been codified. We were simply made to understand that there were several things William and Mary men couldn't do, viz.: lie to professors (which included pledges at examinations), and cheat at cards. This was no novelty to those

of us who had come from McGuire's School. No matter what the subject, John P. McGuire taught honor with every class, and 'first of all he followed it himself.' So far as I recall no professor ever sat in a room when examination papers were being written, and I am confident that, if one had tried it, every man in the room would have quit. In 1875-6, I think there was only one instance of crooked examination papers, and three other cases which called for action by the elder men. On the earnest plea of Colonel Ewell to the stern young judges, these offenders were allowed to withdraw instead of being expelled.

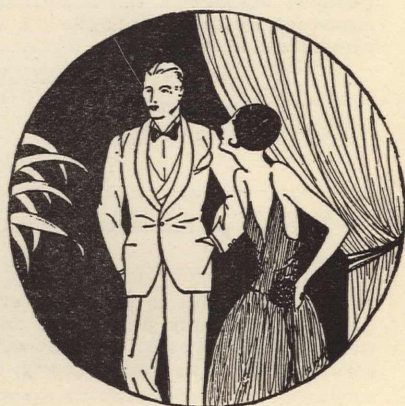
'Old Buck' loved the college and his boys with equal fervor and received from the students full measure in return.

"The next step in college life was 'initiation' (hazing), which was looked forward to with fear and hope. Until this dread ordeal was passed, the new student could not feel that he had put aside childish things and become a 'college man.'

"For some days after our arrival, everything was quiet, but we were made somewhat uneasy by the bragging of one of the newcomers that he would never allow anyone to initiate him. A little later, on a bright moonlight night, about one o'clock, a noise made us look out of the windows. No human being was in sight, but a large heifer was standing quietly, tied to the front gate. Now, a heifer tied to

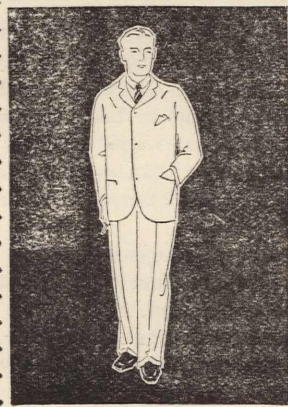
Mrs. Harrison's gate at one in the morning seemed to us as portentous as the raven over Poe's door, and we knew the time had come. Masked men herded the new students into the street and, with the bragging one mounted on the heifer and as quiet as a lamb, we were marched off down Duke of Gloucester. Soon we were blindfolded and led (to us), an unknown distance, being told several times to stoop very low as we were about to enter narrow underground tunnels (we were really walking the length of the Palace Green). Finally we were brought from this, supposedly dark passage, into a room where there were judges in masks and mask-

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YOUR COLLEGE AND OURS

In presenting this issue of the Flat Hat to the alumni, the Staff and those members of the faculty whose efforts made the issue possible, regret that they could not offer more matter bearing upon what the College is like today. But they feel, also, that whatever lack there is of light on the William and Mary of today is more than compensated for in the interesting material so kindly submitted by Dr. Stanard, Dr. Prout, Captain Jones, and Captain Graves.

The history of the College as represented by living former students, divides itself naturally into three distinct cycles: first the ante-bellum period, from 1850 to 1861; the post-war period, up to 1881; and what may be called the modern period, beginning with the reopening of the College in 1888. Each of these periods, conforming to the natural laws of social and political evolution, possesses characteristics differing, at least in the broader sense, from those of the other two.

In the matter presented in this issue, it is believed that each of these cycles has been represented in a peculiarly truthful fashion. Certainly Dr. Prout, and Captains Jones and Graves, have pictured in a most pleasing manner the College as it was in the ante-bellum days, while Dr. Stanard has given us a most charming and inspiring account of the days before the disaster of '81. What material there is dealing with the modern cycle has been prepared by William and Mary Men of that period, and though meagre in quantity, it without doubt is accurate in detail.

THE NEW WILLIAM AND MARY

To describe the College as it is today would require an entire issue of the Flat Hat, and no effort shall be made here to accomplish that huge task. Through the untiring efforts of the Alumni Secretary, Mr. Hodges, those former students who love the College enough to keep in touch with it are furnished with abundant information as to its progress and hopes for the future.

It is fitting here, however, to say that the College has in the past few years grown beyond the fondest dreams of many of its students of yesterday. A student of the '80's or '90's returning to College today for the first time since his student days, would rub his eyes and wonder if he were dreaming. True, Botetourt is still here, Old Main Building looks the same, Brafferton, Taliaferro and Ewell still stand as of old.

But there are newer and larger buildings here now. Jefferson Hall, Monroe Hall (now almost completed), Tyler Hall, Science Hall, Library, Annexes, and temporary buildings of various sorts, make of the College almost a village in itself. Women students walk on equal footing with the men; and where, not so many years since, 75 or 100 men moved with the dignity befitting their station, now 900 men and women live their care-free lives in the new spirit of the new age.

But all of it cannot be told. Come back to William and Mary and see. A hearty welcome awaits every alumnus, old or young. The College loves you, and wants you back.

APRIL NEWS-LETTER TO THE SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF WILLIAM AND MARY

Instead of mailing the April News-Letter it is herewith given to the Alumni Number of the Flat Hat:

I

To continue the account of the permanent improvements at the College, it should be stated that two additional buildings are in prospect and one of them will probably be started in 1924. They are a Memorial Building to the founders of the Phi Beta Kappa Society, and a Science Hall. The former will contain an assembly hall for the students, and will be erected by the Phi Beta Kappa Society at a cost of not less than \$100,000. The Science Hall will cost \$300,000. The College has already been promised one-third of this amount contingent upon its raising the remainder. This building is to be a memorial to William Barton Rogers, one of the most distinguished alumni of the College, who was the founder of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The new gymnasium is being erected on the site of Cary Field, and a new Athletic Field which has splendid possibilities is being made on the Richmond Road in what was formerly the "Bright Orchard."

II

The total registration of students, September, 1923, to March, 1924, inclusive, is 899. Of this number, 501 are men and 398 are women. Ninety-two per cent of the students are Virginians. The others come from twenty-four States and one foreign country. Pennsylvania and North Carolina lead with 12 each. Maryland contributes 8; New York and the District of Columbia 5 each; Ohio and West Virginia 4 each; Indiana and Texas 3 each; Connecticut, New Jersey, and North Dakota 2 each; Georgia, New Hampshire, Delaware, Maine, Colorado, Arkansas, Missouri, Florida, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Iowa, Idaho, and France 1 each.

III

Including the President and the Treasurer, the College Faculty numbers 54. Forty-four are men, and ten are women. Alumni faculty members and officers are fourteen in number.

IV

Arrangements have just been completed for a baseball game to be played on Alumni Day, June 10th, between the teams of the University of Richmond and William and Mary. While this game is being played in Williamsburg, the track teams of the two Institutions will be engaged in a meet at Westhampton.

Our College Presidents

Listed among the alumni of the College of William and Mary are found the names of three of its sons who are presidents of colleges. These three are:

JULIAN ALVIN CARROLL CHANDLER—President of William and Mary; entered college from Caroline county, Virginia, and was graduated with the A. B. degree in 1891, and the A. M. degree in 1892. He received his Ph.D. from Johns Hopkins in 1896, and Richmond College conferred the LL.D. upon him in 1904. Dr. Chandler has been instructor of History and English in William and Mary from 1891-92; principal of Public Schools, Houston, Va., 1892-93; instructor at Morgan College, Balti-

more, 1894-96; acting president of Woman's College, Richmond, 1899-1900; acting professor of history and literature, Richmond College, 1897-1900; professor, same, 1900-1904; editor for Silver, Burdett & Company; editor Virginia Journal of Education; professor of history, Richmond College; superintendent of schools, Richmond, 1909-19; chief of rehabilitation section, Federal Board for Vocational Education, '18-'19. He was called to the presidency of William and Mary in 1919. He is a member of Kappa Alpha, and of Phi Beta Kappa.

WILLIAM ARTHUR MADDOX—President Rockford College; A. B., 1904, entered college from Washington, D. C. Was teacher for several years in the public schools; member

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ed men with guns and bayonets (actually members of the Williamsburg Volunteer Infantry). We received various ludicrous sentences, the hardest, for all present, being mine. I was ordered to climb a tree and sing. Two, who were told they were very serious offenders, were to be put in a vault under the church. There were carried down some steps and left in total darkness. When their nerves commenced to be steady, they began an examination of their quarters and, to their astonishment, found great numbers of empty bottles. They afterwards said they thought it must have been the custom among old-time Williamsburgers to bury the wine bottles a man had emptied. After a little further exploring they found the door was not fastened and hurried to their rooms. They had been in the cellar of a bar-room.

"Discipline was not very strict and there still remained a good deal of the old feeling of a student's personal independence, which, in the past, when carried to extremes, had done the college harm.

"We were expected to go to the churches to which our families belonged, but as more pretty girls then went to Bruton than elsewhere, most of us attended service there. The boys were asked as to the religious affiliations of their parents. There was then no Presbyterian church in Williamsburg, only the low foundations of one never completed on that site. One student told the president his mother was a Presbyterian. 'Well,' said the colonel, 'you can sit on the foundations of the Presbyterian church until the service at Bruton is over.'

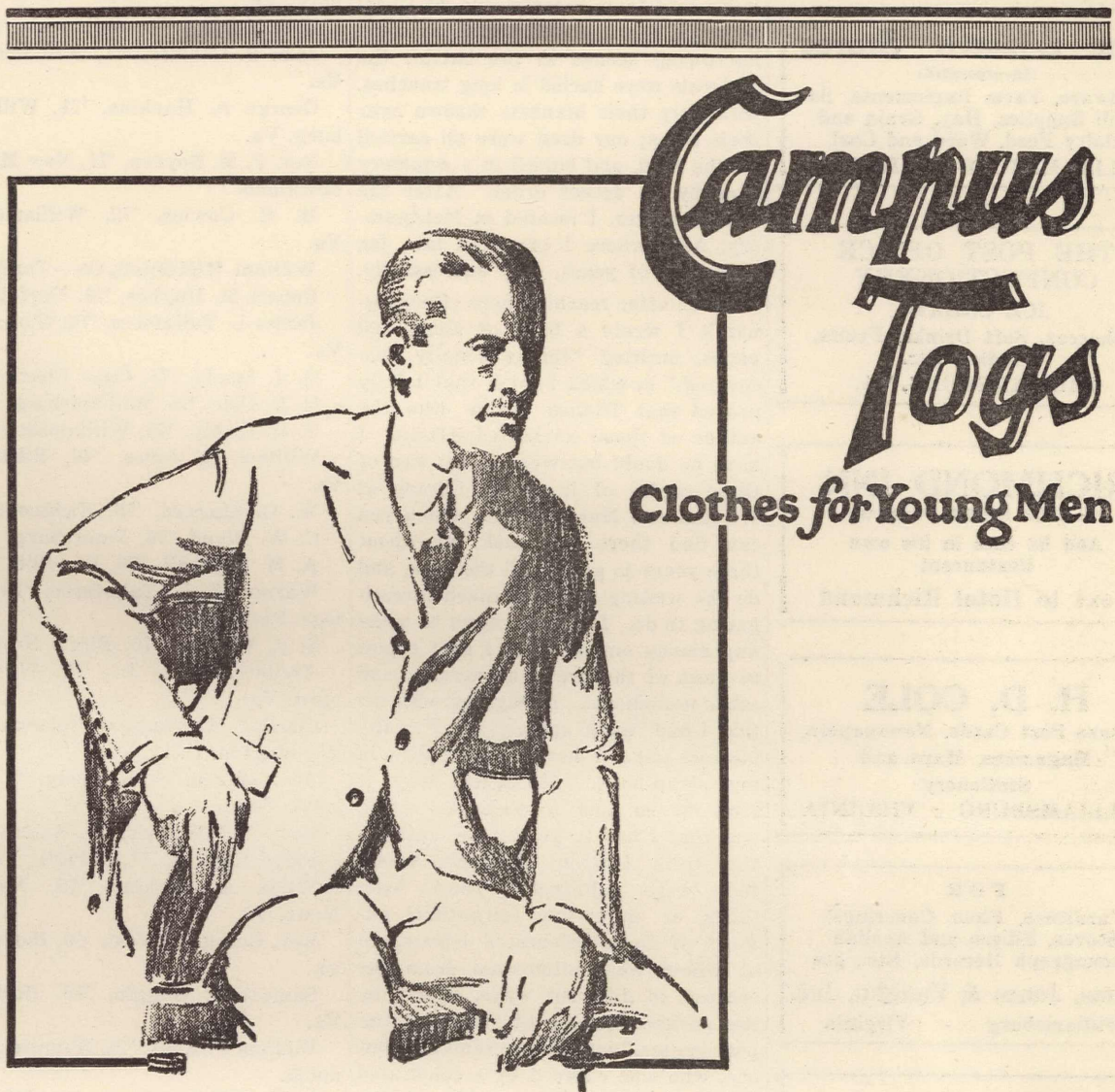
"One of the principal breaches of discipline by students during 1875-6 was when three or four stole the bell-clapper, leaving their names in chalk on the bell. The janitor could not

read nor could the professors climb into the belfry, so the identity of the culprits remained a secret. There could be no calls for lectures, which were suspended, and the faculty met in long and serious sessions. Finally

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Simon Bolivar Buckner, and was in the battle of Chickamauga, where we gave the Federals a "sound drubbing." We drove them back about fifteen miles into their breastworks, at Chattanooga, Tenn. I well remember some harrowing scenes in the battle: the Federals were buried in long trenches, with only their blankets thrown over their faces; our dead were all carried off the field, and buried in a cemetery near by, in decent order. After the war was over, I located in Montgomery, Ala., where I practiced law, for a number of years, very successfully.

"Soon after reaching here (Birmingham), I wrote a book of about 300 pages, entitled "Junius Finally Discovered," in which I think that I fully proved that Thomas Paine was the author of those celebrated letters. I have no doubt but what I sent two or three copies of it to the library of William and Mary College, which you can find there. It took me about three years to get up all the data, and do the writing as I had much investigating to do. I did not expect to make any money out of it, as I sent copies to most of the press, magazines, and other periodicals. All agreed with me that I had "made out my case," as the lawyers say. I have their replies in my scrap-book. Moreover, why it took me so long to write the book, was that I had to get all the authorities from London, England, where they were published. There were thirty or thirty-five conjectural authors of those celebrated letters, all of whom were eliminated from the contest, in different ways, nearly by the positive denials of "the soft impeachments," until there remained but one, who was claimed by a celebrated writer, John Wilson, to be the author, who was Sir Philip Francis. It then devolved upon me to get him out of the contest, which I finally did, by finding an old book, wherein Sir Philip unequivocally denied that he was the author of the letters, saying that he "could not have written them if he would and would not have written them if he could;" because the English Government had offered five thousand pounds sterling to any one who would identify the author of those wicked letters, as they termed them, in order that they might imprison him in the Tower, at London, for life. This left Thomas Paine as the only one to enjoy the distinguished honor of writing those remarkable letters, as claimed by me.

"I send you my photograph with this under separate cover. While I was in Montgomery, I was elected President of the American Trust and Savings Bank, the largest bank in the City of Birmingham, with a capital of \$500,000.00, which office I held for quite a while, and then resigned it, and retired from business, although I was urged to retain it by the directors."

THIRTY-ONE NAMES ON LIST PERIOD 1865-81

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soon contain the names of all living former students subsequent to the Civil War. Any alumnus of any age or period who can add to the 31 names

below will please write the alumni secretary:

B. S. Jones, '66, Newport News, Va.
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Rev. C. B. Wilmer, '76, Atlanta, Ga.

Floyd Hughes, '77, Norfolk, Va.

Willis A. Jenkins, '78, Newport News, Va.

Rev. George S. Vest, '66, Berryville, Va.

Samuel C. Goggin, '70, Rustburg, Va.

William P. Kent, '76, Hamilton, Bermuda.

Levin Winder Lane, Jr., '79, Williamsburg, Va.

C. C. Branch, Toano, Va.

OUR COLLEGE PRESIDENTS

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of faculty at State Normal School, Farmville; went from there to Oswego, N. Y., to the Normal School there; did graduate work at Columbia University, receiving his A. M., and Ph.D. degrees; was, for a while, member of the faculty at Columbia; he was called from Columbia to the presidency of Rockford College, Rockford, Illinois, five years ago. Rockford is the leading woman's college of the West. Dr. Maddox is a member of Theta Delta Chi and of Phi Beta Kappa.

JAMES NOAH HILLMAN—President Emory and Henry; entered college from Coeburn, Wise county, Virginia, in 1903. Received A. B. degree in 1906 and M. A. in 1909. He was principal of Williamsburg High School three years, after which he became superintendent of schools for Wise county in 1909 and continued there until 1916, at which time he was appointed secretary to the State Board of Education; he filled this position with conspicuous success until 1921, when he was called to the presidency of Emory and Henry College. He was the first layman to become president of this institution, all its former presidents having been members of the Methodist clergy. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

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JESSE S. JONES

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onel Edmonds, of V. M. I., taught in the Danville Military Institute, a large school of 135, as well as I remember. Entered the calvary branch of service under Fitz Lee. Passed the trying ordeal without broken bones, but with some bullet holes. After its close, taught at Syms-Eaton Academy some time; became county treasurer about twenty-five years; then farmed. Now I am a retired farmer. Will be 89 May 3, 1924."

JONATHAN SLATER PROUT

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pal temper, which caused a scribbler to write on a conspicuous wall:

Students kneel,
Or soon you'll feel
The Mighty Bishop's wrath;
In his suspicion,
He'll lose his religion,
And be worse than Goliath
of Gath.

"The words of wisdom I learned have gone glimmering, but senseless trifles remain.

"I belonged to the Phoenix Debating Society, which I see has a descendant, and I have a faint impression that I held some office in it. We had a badge and once paraded at a Commencement.

"The Ladies—it was before the days of the Co-Eds—were good to us, and I was greatly helped by the family of the former President, Robert Saunders, whose eldest daughter, a little older than I, was very tactful and kind to me. I greatly enjoyed her society and hold her in grateful remembrance.

"A leaflet sent me tells me that the Powder House (was it ever called the Powder Horn?) still stands. In my day it was the Baptist Church, preached in by the Rev. Servant (?) or Scervant (?) Jones, who had a reputa-

tion for eccentricity. In the Bruton Church yard, in the north side, northwest from the Church entrance, was the grave of the first Mrs. Jones, over whom, after he had married the second, he put a stone on which were some lines that I remember, beginning:

"If ever husband was adored,
If ever Woman loved the Lord.

"I cannot recall any more, but note the relative positions of 'husband' and 'the Lord.'

"Once he was carrying on a revival meeting. His colored heaven-seeking workers neglected the growing corn so long that they were told sharply to return to the corn and attend to their souls later.

"In 1862, as a regimental surgeon, I was in the army that took New Madrid, Mo., and Island No. 10, and fought at Corinth, Miss. In 1863, in General Grant's army at Vicksburg; in 1864, in General Sherman's army, Atlanta, campaign, and March to the Sea, and in 1865 in the march north-

ward through the Carolinas. My army experience was only the ordinary infantry field service, during which my health was so good that I did not once ask for a leave of absence or leave Dixie.

"After the war I settled in Brooklyn, N. Y., and practiced Ophthalmology until the close of the century, lecturing on this subject in the Long Island College Hospital and Medical School for many years.

"For medical knowledge and to get some German I went to Europe in 1876, returning in 1878.

"You ask for a picture. I have not been 'taken' for some time, but I send you two—the larger taken when I was still doing professional work, the smaller a snap shot taken by a visiting friend in 1922, that shows 'the lean and slippered pantaloon.' For several years I have done no medical work and now merely illustrate Samuel Johnson's description: 'Superfluous lags the veteran on the stage.'

"I hope you emphasize the doctrine

'Tools to him that can handle them,' or 'La carriere ouverte aux talents,' as Carlyle puts it in his *Hero Worship*, so that the square peg may not clog the round hole. From the want of that sort of wisdom I suffered, and it interested me to find Henry Adams, in his 'Education,' a graduate in Arts and Law at Harvard, at over sixty, making the complaint that he had never had an 'education.'

"You suggest my visiting Williamsburg some time. I should dearly love to see the dear old town again. I was there in 1854, and again in 189—when President Tyler was in office and ex-President Ewell lived at Ewell Station, a few miles West of the College. My traveling days are over. Getting ready to go and going put a severe strain on me.

"I hope what I write may interest you. Am sorry there are so many words and so little matter of importance. Use it as you like, but please edit it severely. I am not in the habit of writing for print.



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1656-1742

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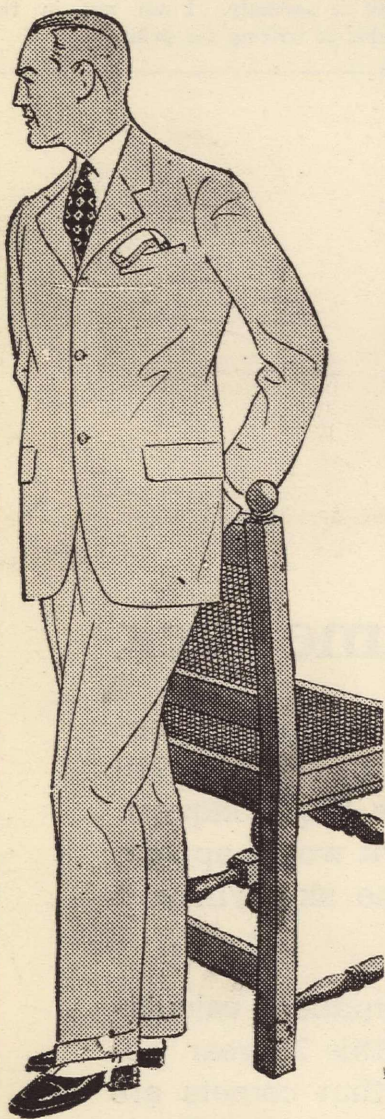
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STANARD TELLS OF THE DAYS OF '75-76

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clapper. Finally, there were left about a dozen, who declined to answer any questions. It was announced that they were all to be expelled and then the real sinners confessed. A meeting of the students was held at the Matty School and it was determined to deck the clapper with ribbons and march in a body, headed by the Asylum band, to present it to the faculty. Wiser heads stopped this, however, and the four guilty ones were suspended for ten days, asked to spend the time at Colonel Ewell's house in the country,

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and a number of girls invited out to join the house party.

"All this looks like encouragement to law-breaking, but really, it was not so. The college and Colonel Ewell were too dear to us all to permit anything which might seriously injure he one or distress the other.

"Our amusements were simple. The only student organizations were the two debating societies. I have heard many debaters of other colleges, but have never known such ability and eloquence as in these two societies. Such men as Jennings and Yelverton Garnett, Henry and Cannon Hobson, son, Beverley Munford, James Lindsay Gordon, W. G. Jones, Henry C. Coke, Floyd Hughes (to name the leaders), are not often found together in many student bodies.

NOTE—Dr. Stanard's article will be continued in an early issue of the Flat Hat.

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